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It is requested that the number of claims and title on the Official Filing Receipt be corrected. The correct number of total claims is 11, the correct number of independent claims is 2; and the correct title is --METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRANSFORMING A PICTURE AREA--, as is evidenced by the copy of Transmittal Letter (including therein a claim chart), a copy of the Preliminary Amendment, copy of the first page of the Substitute Specification, and copy of transmittal postcard, bearing PCT/PTO Mail room date stamp, attached hereto. For the convenience of the Patent and Trademark Office, attached is a photocopy of the original receipt on which the errors have been noted in red.

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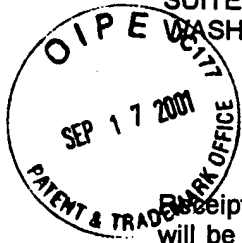
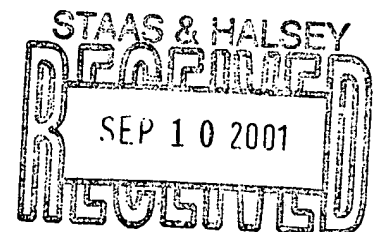
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TITLE OF THE INVENTION

[0001] METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR TRANSFORMING A PICTURE AREA

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention

[0002] The invention relates to a method and an arrangement for transforming a picture area.

2. Description of the Related Art

[0003] Such a method with an associated arrangement is disclosed in J. De Lameillieure, R. Schäfer: "MPEG-2-Bildcodierung für das digitale Fernsehen" (MPEG-2 picture coding for digital television), Fernseh- und Kino-Technik, volume 48, No. 3/1994, pages 99-107. The known method serves in the MPEG standard as a coding method and is essentially based on the hybrid DCT (Discrete Cosine Transform) with motion compensation. A similar method is used for videophony at $n \times 64$ kbit/s (CCITT Recommendation H.261), for TV contribution (CCR Recommendation 723) at 34 or 45 Mbit/s, and for multimedia applications at 1.2 Mbit/s (ISO-MPEG-1). Hybrid DCT comprises a temporal processing stage, which uses the relationships between successive pictures, and a spatial processing stage, which utilizes the correlation within a picture.

[0004] The spatial processing (intraframe coding) essentially corresponds to traditional DCT coding. The picture is broken down into blocks of 8×8 pixels which are each transformed into the frequency domain by DCT. The result is a matrix of 8×8 coefficients which approximately reflect the two-dimensional spatial frequencies in the transformed picture block. A coefficient with frequency 0 (DC component) represents an average gray-scale value of the picture block.

[0005] The transformation is followed by data expansion. However, in natural picture originals, a concentration of the energy around the DC component (DC value) will take place, while the very high-frequency coefficients are usually zero.

[0006] In a next step, spectral weighting of the coefficients is effected, with the result that the amplitude accuracy of the high-frequency coefficients is reduced. The properties of the human

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7. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please REPLACE the pending specification with the Substitute Specification attached hereto.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please REPLACE the originally filed Abstract with the enclosed Substitute Abstract.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please CANCEL claims 1-14 without prejudice or disclaimer of any of the subject matter claimed therein and ADD new claims in accordance with the following:

15. A method for transforming a picture area, comprising:

carrying out a vertical transformation of the picture area and a horizontal transformation of the picture area in an order determined as follows

if the picture area is present in a line interlacing method, firstly the horizontal and then the vertical transformation is carried out, and

otherwise one of the horizontal and vertical transformation is selected to be carried out first for whichever a correlation of pixels of the picture area is stronger.

16. The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein an additional dimension is taken into account in the transformation.

- 17. The method as claimed in claim 16, wherein an additional transformation is carried out along a time dimension.

18. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein a side information item containing the order of transformations is generated by the decision unit.

19. The method as claimed in claim 18, further comprising carrying out mirroring on a 45-degree before either transformation, so that the horizontal transformation follows from the vertical transformation.

20. The method as claimed in claim 18, further comprising carrying out mirroring on a 45-degree before either transformation, so that the vertical transformation follows from the horizontal transformation.

21. The method as claimed in claim 18, for use in a coder for compression of picture data.

22. The method as claimed in claim 21, wherein the side information item is used in a decoder for decompression of the picture area.

23. The method as claimed in claim 22, further comprising determining modes of operation of at least one of the coder and the decoder according to one of an MPEG standard and an H.26x standard.

24. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein the transformation is one of a DCT transformation and an IDCT transformation which is an inverse thereof.

25. A system for transforming a picture area, comprising:

a transformation unit to perform vertical transformation and horizontal transformation of the picture area; and

a decision unit to control said transformation unit to first perform the horizontal transformation and then the vertical transformation if the picture area is present in a line interlacing method, and otherwise to first perform the one of the vertical and horizontal transformations for which a correlation of pixels of the picture area is stronger.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to improve the form of the English translation as filed. It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1-14 have been canceled and claims 15-25 have been added. Thus, claims 15-25 are pending and are under consideration.

A substitute specification is also being filed herewith. The substitute specification is accompanied by a marked-up copy of the original specification. No new matter has been added.

If there are any questions regarding these matters, such questions can be addressed by telephone to the undersigned. Otherwise, an early action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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